GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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BSNL AGREEMENT WITH BASIC TELECOM OPERATORS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) propose to review the interconnection agreement signed with the basic telecom operators with a view to increase its revenues ;

(b) if so, whether any talks have been held with the basic telephone operators in the matter ; and

(c) If so, the reaction of the basic telephone operators thereto ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has proposed to review the interconnection agreement signed with the Basic Operators to revise the revenue sharing arrangement in a way which is fair, just and equitable to all the operators.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Basic Service Operators were not agreeable to the revised revenue sharing proposal put forth by the BSNL and also have not come up with any alternative proposal. They have taken up the matter with Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT).